

What is Claimed is:

1. An authentication token which is normally held by a user and, when the user is to use a use device for executing predetermined processing in accordance with authentication data of the user, connected to the use device to perform user authentication on the basis of biometrical information of the user, comprising:

7                 a personal collation unit including a sensor  
8         for detecting the biometrical information of the user  
9         and outputting a detection result as sensing data, a  
10      storage unit which stores in advance registered data to  
11      be collated with the biometrical information of the user,  
12      and a collation unit for collating the registered data  
13      stored in said storage unit with the sensing data from  
14      said sensor and outputting a collation result as  
15      authentication data representing a user authentication  
16      result; and

17                 a communication unit for transmitting the  
18         authentication data from said personal collation unit to  
19         the use device as communication data,

20                 wherein said personal collation unit and  
21         communication unit are integrated.

2. A token according to claim 1, wherein  
2         said storage unit further stores in advance  
3         user information unique to the user, which is to be used

4 for processing in the use device, and  
5               said collation unit outputs the authentication  
6 data containing the user information read out from said  
7 storage unit.

3.               A token according to claim 1, further  
2 comprising a protocol conversion unit for converting the  
3 communication data from said communication unit into a  
4 predetermined data format and transmitting the  
5 communication data to the use device.

4.               A token according to claim 1, further  
2 comprising a radio unit for transmitting the  
3 communication data from said communication unit to the  
4 use device through a radio section.

5.               A token according to claim 3, further  
2 comprising a radio unit for transmitting the  
3 communication data from said protocol conversion unit to  
4 the use device through a radio section.

6.               A token according to claim 1, further  
2 comprising a battery for supplying power.

7.               A token according to claim 6, wherein said  
2 battery comprises a secondary battery charged by power  
3 supply from the use device when said authentication

4 token is connected to the use device.

8. A token according to claim 1, wherein said  
2 storage unit has, in addition to a storage area for  
3 storing the registered data, at least one storage area  
4 for storing another information.

9. A token according to claim 7, wherein said  
2 at least one storage area for storing another  
3 information includes a storage area for storing personal  
4 information of the user and a storage area for storing  
5 service information.

10. An authentication system for executing user  
2 authentication, which is necessary for use of a use  
3 device for executing predetermined processing, by using  
4 biometrical information of a user, comprising:  
5 an authentication token which is normally held  
6 by the user and, when the user is to use said use device,  
7 connected to said use device to perform user  
8 authentication on the basis of the biometrical  
9 information of the user,  
10 said authentication token comprising  
11 a personal collation unit including a sensor  
12 for detecting the biometrical information of the user  
13 and outputting a detection result as sensing data, a  
14 storage unit which stores in advance registered data to

15 be collated with the biometrical information of the user,  
16 and a collation unit for collating the registered data  
17 stored in said storage unit with the sensing data from  
18 said sensor and outputting a collation result  
19 representing a user authentication result as  
20 authentication data, and

21 a first communication unit for transmitting  
22 the authentication data from said personal collation  
23 unit to said use device as communication data,

24 said personal collation unit and communication  
25 unit being integrated, and

26 said use device comprising  
27 a second communication unit for receiving the  
28 communication data transmitted from said authentication  
29 token and outputting the data as the authentication data,  
30 and

31 a processing unit for executing the  
32 predetermined processing on the basis of the collation  
33 result contained in the authentication data from said  
34 second communication unit.

11. A system according to claim 10, wherein said  
2 storage unit has a plurality of storage areas for  
3 storing not only the registered information of the user  
4 but also another information.

12. A system according to claim 10, wherein

2               said storage unit of said authentication token  
3   stores in advance user information unique to the user,  
4   which is to be used for processing in said use device,  
5               said collation unit of said authentication  
6   token outputs the authentication data containing the  
7   user information read out from said storage unit, and  
8               said processing unit of said use device  
9   executes processing using the user information contained  
10   in the authentication data from said second  
11   communication unit.

13.         A system according to claim 10, further  
2 comprising a data conversion module connected to said  
3 authentication token to convert the communication data  
4 from said first communication unit of said  
5 authentication token into a predetermined data format  
6 and transmit the communication data to said use device.

14.         A system according to claim 10, wherein  
2               said system further comprises a radio module  
3   connected to said authentication token to transmit the  
4   communication data from said first communication unit of  
5   said authentication token to said use device through a  
6   radio section, and  
7               said use device comprises a radio unit for  
8   receiving the communication data transmitted from said  
9   radio module through the radio section and outputting

10 the communication data to said second communication unit.

15. A system according to claim 13, wherein  
2 said system further comprises a radio module  
3 connected to said authentication token to transmit the  
4 communication data from said data conversion module to  
5 said use device through a radio section, and

6 said use device comprises a radio unit for  
7 receiving the communication data transmitted from said  
8 radio module through the radio section and outputting  
9 the communication data to said second communication unit.

16. A system according to claim 10, wherein said  
2 authentication token further comprises a battery for  
3 supplying power into said authentication token.

17. A system according to claim 13, wherein said  
2 data conversion module further comprises a battery for  
3 supplying power into said data conversion module and  
4 authentication token.

18. A system according to claim 14, wherein said  
2 radio module further comprises a battery for supplying  
3 power into said radio module and authentication token.

19. A system according to claim 16, wherein said  
2 battery comprises a secondary battery charged by power

3 supply from said use device when said authentication  
4 token is connected to said use device.

20. A token according to claim 1, wherein  
2 said authentication token further comprises  
3 another storage circuit for storing a password of said  
4 authentication token and token identification  
5 information for identifying said authentication token,  
6 and

7 when the personal collation result indicates  
8 that the collation is successful, said communication  
9 unit transmits the password and token identification  
10 information in said another storage circuit to said  
11 service providing apparatus as the communication data.

21. An authentication system for executing user  
2 authentication, which is necessary when a user is to use  
3 a service providing apparatus for providing a  
4 predetermined service, by using biometrical information  
5 of the user, comprising:

6 an authentication token which is normally held  
7 by the user and, when the user is to use said service  
8 providing apparatus, connected to said service providing  
9 apparatus to perform user authentication on the basis of  
10 the biometrical information of the user,  
11 said authentication token comprising a  
12 personal collation unit for performing collation on the

13 basis of the biometrical information detected from the  
14 user to check whether the user is an authentic user, a  
15 storage circuit for storing a password of said  
16 authentication token and token identification  
17 information for identifying said authentication token,  
18 and a first communication unit for, when a collation  
19 result by said personal collation unit indicates that  
20 collation is successful, transmitting the password and  
21 token identification information in said storage circuit  
22 to said service providing apparatus as communication  
23 data, and

24                 said service providing apparatus comprising a  
25 second communication unit for receiving the  
26 communication data from said authentication token, a  
27 first database for storing the token identification  
28 information and password of said authentication token in  
29 advance in association with each other, a collation  
30 circuit for collating the password contained in the  
31 communication data with a password obtained from said  
32 first database using the token identification  
33 information as a key, and a processing unit for  
34 providing the service to the user on the basis of a  
35 collation result by said collation circuit.

22.                 A system according to claim 21, further  
2 comprising a registration apparatus connected to said  
3 service providing apparatus through a communication

4 network to register the token identification information  
5 and password in said database in association with each  
6 other.

23. A system according to claim 21, wherein  
2         said service providing apparatus has a  
3 password generation circuit for generating a new  
4 password and transmitting the new password to said  
5 authentication token through said second communication  
6 unit and updating the password stored in said first  
7 database, and  
8         said first communication unit of said  
9 authentication token updates the password stored in said  
10 storage circuit by the new password received from said  
11 service providing apparatus.

24. A system according to claim 21, wherein  
2         said service providing apparatus has a storage  
3 circuit for storing device identification information  
4 for identifying said service providing apparatus, and  
5 said second communication unit reads out the device  
6 identification information from said storage circuit and  
7 transmits the identification information to said  
8 authentication token when said authentication token is  
9 connected, and  
10         said authentication token has a second  
11 database for storing the password and the device

12 identification information for identifying the service  
13 providing apparatus in association with each other, and  
14 said first communication unit uses, as the password to  
15 be transmitted to said service providing apparatus, a  
16 password obtained from said second database using the  
17 device identification information received from said  
18 service providing apparatus as a key.

25. An authentication method of executing user  
2 authentication, which is necessary when a user is to use  
3 a service providing apparatus for providing a  
4 predetermined service, between the service providing  
5 apparatus and an authentication token for executing the  
6 user authentication using biometrical information of the  
7 user, wherein  
8 the authentication token stores in advance a  
9 password of the authentication token and token  
10 identification information for identifying the  
11 authentication token, performs collation on the basis of  
12 the biometrical information detected from the user to  
13 check whether the user is an authentic user, and when a  
14 collation result indicates that collation is successful,  
15 transmits the password and token identification  
16 information to the service providing apparatus as  
17 communication data, and  
18 the service providing apparatus stores the  
19 token identification information and password of the

20 authentication token in advance in a first database in  
21 association with each other, collates the password  
22 contained in the communication data received from the  
23 authentication token with a password obtained from the  
24 first database using the token identification  
25 information as a key, and provides the service to the  
26 user on the basis of a collation result.

26. A method according to claim 25, wherein the  
2 token identification information and password are  
3 registered in the first database in association with  
4 each other from a registration apparatus connected to  
5 the service providing apparatus through a communication  
6 network.

27. A method according to claim 25, wherein  
2 the service providing apparatus causes a  
3 password generation circuit to generate a new password,  
4 transmits the new password to the authentication token  
5 through the second communication unit, and updates the  
6 password stored in the first database, and  
7 the authentication token updates the password  
8 stored in advance by the new password received from the  
9 service providing apparatus.

28. A method according to claim 25, wherein  
2 the service providing apparatus stores device

3 identification information for identifying the service  
4 providing apparatus in advance, and transmits the device  
5 identification information to the authentication token  
6 when the authentication token is connected, and  
7               the authentication token stores in advance the  
8 password and the device identification information for  
9 identifying the service providing apparatus in a second  
10 database in association with each other, and uses, as  
11 the password to be transmitted to the service providing  
12 apparatus, a password obtained from the second database  
13 using the device identification information received  
14 from the service providing apparatus as a key.

29.           A recording medium which stores a program  
1 for causing a computer to execute an authentication  
2 procedure of executing user authentication, which is  
3 necessary when a user is to use a service providing  
4 apparatus for providing a predetermined service, between  
5 the service providing apparatus and an authentication  
6 token for executing the user authentication using  
7 biometrical information of the user,  
8               said program comprising the steps of:  
9               in the service providing apparatus, storing  
10 token identification information and a password of the  
11 authentication token in a first database in advance in  
12 association with each other;  
13               in the authentication token, after collation

15 of the user based on the biometrical information  
16 detected from the user, and when a collation result  
17 indicates that collation is successful, receiving  
18 communication data containing the password of the  
19 authentication token and the token identification  
20 information for identifying the authentication token,  
21 which is transmitted for the authentication token;

22 collating the password contained in the  
23 communication data with a password obtained from the  
24 first database using the token identification  
25 information as a key; and

26 providing the service to the user on the basis  
27 of a collation result.

30. A medium according to claim 29, wherein said  
2 program further comprises the step of, in the service  
3 providing apparatus, registering the token  
4 identification information and password in the first  
5 database in association with each other from a  
6 registration apparatus connected to the service  
7 providing apparatus through a communication network.

31. A medium according to claim 29, wherein said  
2 program further comprises the steps of:  
3 in the service providing apparatus, causing a  
4 password generation circuit to generate a new password;  
5 transmitting the new password to the

6 authentication token through the second communication  
7 unit so as to update the password stored in the  
8 authentication token in advance; and  
9 updating the password stored in the first  
10 database by the new password.

32. A medium according to claim 29, wherein said  
2 program further comprises the steps of:

3 in the service providing apparatus, storing  
4 device identification information for identifying the  
5 service providing apparatus in advance; and  
6 transmitting the device identification  
7 information to the authentication token when the  
8 authentication token is connected so as to store the  
9 password and the device identification information used  
10 to identify the service providing apparatus in the  
11 authentication token in a second database in association  
12 with each other, and searching the second database for a  
13 password using the device identification information  
14 received from the service providing apparatus as a key  
15 as the password to be transmitted to the service  
16 providing apparatus.

33. A program for causing a computer to execute  
2 an authentication procedure of executing user  
3 authentication, which is necessary when a user is to use  
4 a service providing apparatus for providing a

5 predetermined service, between the service providing  
6 apparatus and an authentication token for executing the  
7 user authentication using biometrical information of the  
8 user,

9               said program causing the computer to execute  
10 the steps of:

11               in the service providing apparatus, storing  
12 token identification information and a password of the  
13 authentication token in a first database in advance in  
14 association with each other;

15               in the authentication token, after collation  
16 of the user based on the biometrical information  
17 detected from the user, and when a collation result  
18 indicates that collation is successful, receiving  
19 communication data containing the password of the  
20 authentication token and the token identification  
21 information for identifying the authentication token,  
22 which is transmitted for the authentication token;

23               collating the password contained in the  
24 communication data with a password obtained from the  
25 first database using the token identification  
26 information as a key; and

27               providing the service to the user on the basis  
28 of a collation result.

34.               A program according to claim 33, further  
2 comprising the step of, in the service providing

3 apparatus, registering the token identification  
4 information and password in the first database in  
5 association with each other from a registration  
6 apparatus connected to the service providing apparatus  
7 through a communication network.

35. A program according to claim 33, further  
2 comprising the steps of:

3                 in the service providing apparatus, causing a  
4 password generation circuit to generate a new password;  
5                 transmitting the new password to the  
6 authentication token through the second communication  
7 unit so as to update the password stored in the  
8 authentication token in advance; and  
9                 updating the password stored in the first  
10 database by the new password.

36. A program according to claim 33, further  
2 comprising the steps of:  
3                 in the service providing apparatus, storing  
4 device identification information for identifying the  
5 service providing apparatus in advance; and  
6                 transmitting the device identification  
7 information to the authentication token when the  
8 authentication token is connected so as to store the  
9 password and the device identification information used  
10 to identify the service providing apparatus in the

11 authentication token in a second database in association  
12 with each other, and searching the second database for a  
13 password using the device identification information  
14 received from the service providing apparatus as a key  
15 as the password to be transmitted to the service  
16 providing apparatus.

37. A biometrical information authentication  
2 storage which locks or unlocks a door of a main body in  
3 storing an article in the main body or taking out the  
4 article stored in the main body, and also unlocks the  
5 door on the basis of authentication of biometrical  
6 information of a user, comprising:

7 drive means for locking/unlocking the door;  
8 storage means for storing the biometrical  
9 information of the user; and  
10 processing means for controlling said drive  
11 means to unlock the door on the basis of matching  
12 between stored information in said storage means and  
13 detected information from a sensor for detecting the  
14 biometrical information of the user.

38. A storage according to claim 37, wherein  
2 said storage means stores a fingerprint image  
3 of the user as the biometrical information, and  
4 said processing means controls said drive  
5 means to unlock the door on the basis of matching

6 between the stored information in said storage means and  
7 the fingerprint image from a fingerprint authentication  
8 token having the sensor for detecting the fingerprint  
9 image of the user as the biometrical information.

39. A storage according to claim 38, wherein  
2 said processing means comprises  
3 lock means for, when the fingerprint image of  
4 the user, which is transmitted from the fingerprint  
5 authentication token, is received in storing the article  
6 in the main body, controlling said drive means to lock  
7 the door and storing the received fingerprint image in  
8 said storage means, and  
9 unlock means for controlling said drive means  
10 to unlock the door when the fingerprint image of the  
11 user, which is transmitted from the fingerprint  
12 authentication token, is received in taking out the  
13 article stored in the main body, and the received  
14 fingerprint image matches the stored information in said  
15 storage means.

40. A storage according to claim 38, wherein  
2 said processing means comprises  
3 lock means for, when the fingerprint  
4 authentication token is inserted into the main body in  
5 storing the article in the main body, controlling said  
6 drive means to lock the door, generating a password,

7 storing the password in said storage means, transmitting  
8 the password to the fingerprint authentication token,  
9 and causing the fingerprint authentication token to  
10 store the password, and

11 unlock means for controlling said drive means  
12 to unlock the door when a password based on matching  
13 between a registered fingerprint image and the  
14 fingerprint image detected by the sensor and output from  
15 the fingerprint authentication token is received in  
16 taking out the article stored in the main body, and the  
17 received password matches the password in said storage  
18 means.

41. A storage according to claim 38, wherein  
2 said processing means comprises  
3 lock means for, when a password based on  
4 matching between a registered fingerprint image and the  
5 fingerprint image detected by the sensor and output from  
6 the fingerprint authentication token is received in  
7 storing the article in the main body, controlling said  
8 drive means to lock the door, and storing the received  
9 password in said storage means, and

10 unlock means for controlling said drive means  
11 to unlock the door when the password based on matching  
12 between the registered fingerprint image and the  
13 fingerprint image detected by the sensor and output from  
14 the fingerprint authentication token is received in

15 taking out the article stored in the main body, and the  
16 received password matches the password in said storage  
17 means.

42. A storage according to claim 38, wherein  
2 said storage further comprises  
3 a plurality of storage sections capable of  
4 independently storing articles and having corresponding  
5 doors,

6 designation means for designating one of the  
7 plurality of doors, and  
8 display means for displaying a number of the  
9 door, and

10 said processing means comprises  
11 first display control means for, when a  
12 corresponding door is closed in storing an article in a  
13 storage section, displaying the number of the door on  
14 said display means,

15 lock means for, when the door number displayed  
16 on said display means is designated by said designation  
17 means, and the fingerprint authentication token is  
18 inserted into the main body, controlling said drive  
19 means to lock the door, generating a password, storing  
20 the password and the door number in said storage means,  
21 transmitting the password and the door number to the  
22 fingerprint authentication token, and causing the  
23 fingerprint authentication token to store the password

24 and the door number,

25 second display control means for, when the  
26 fingerprint authentication token is inserted into the  
27 main body in taking out the article stored in said  
28 storage section, displaying the door number stored in  
29 the fingerprint authentication token on said display  
30 means, and

31 unlock means for controlling said drive means  
32 to unlock the door when the door number displayed on  
33 said display means is designated by said designation  
34 means, and a password based on matching between a  
35 registered fingerprint image and the fingerprint image  
36 detected by the sensor and output from the fingerprint  
37 authentication token is received, and the received  
38 password matches the password in said storage means.

43. A storage according to claim 37, wherein

2 said storage further comprises check means for  
3 checking coins of a predetermined amount, which are put  
4 in by the user in storing the article, and

5 when said check means checks that the coins of  
6 the predetermined amount are put in, said processing  
7 means controls said drive means to lock the door.

44. A lock/unlock method for a biometrical  
2 information authentication storage which locks or  
3 unlocks a door of a main body in storing an article in

4 the main body or taking out the article stored in the  
5 main body, and also unlocks the door on the basis of  
6 authentication of biometrical information of a user,  
7 comprising:

8 the first step of unlocking the door on the  
9 basis of matching between stored information stored in  
10 storage means in advance and detected information from a  
11 sensor for detecting the biometrical information of the  
12 user.

45. A method according to claim 44, wherein  
2 the storage means stores a fingerprint image  
3 of the user as the biometrical information, and  
4 processing in the first step comprises the  
5 second step of unlocking the door on the basis of  
6 matching between the stored information in the storage  
7 means and the fingerprint image from a fingerprint  
8 authentication token having the sensor for detecting the  
9 fingerprint image of the user as the biometrical  
10 information.

46. A method according to claim 45, wherein  
2 processing in the second step comprises  
3 the third step of, when the fingerprint image  
4 of the user, which is transmitted from the fingerprint  
5 authentication token, is received in storing the article  
6 in the main body, locking the door and storing the

7 received fingerprint image in the storage means, and  
8 the fourth step of unlocking the door when the  
9 fingerprint image of the user, which is transmitted from  
10 the fingerprint authentication token, is received in  
11 taking out the article stored in the main body, and the  
12 received fingerprint image matches the stored  
13 information in the storage means.

47. A method according to claim 45, wherein  
1 processing in the second step comprises  
2 the fifth step of, when the fingerprint  
3 authentication token is inserted into the main body in  
4 storing the article in the main body, locking the door,  
5 generating a password, storing the password in the  
6 storage means, transmitting the password to the  
7 fingerprint authentication token, and causing the  
8 fingerprint authentication token to store the password,  
9 and  
10

11 the sixth step of unlocking the door when a  
12 password based on matching between a registered  
13 fingerprint image and the fingerprint image detected by  
14 the sensor and output from the fingerprint  
15 authentication token is received in taking out the  
16 article stored in the main body, and the received  
17 password matches the password in the storage means.

48. A method according to claim 45, wherein

2                   processing in the second step comprises  
3                   the seventh step of, when a password based on  
4                   matching between a registered fingerprint image and the  
5                   fingerprint image detected by the sensor and output from  
6                   the fingerprint authentication token is received in  
7                   storing the article in the main body, locking the door,  
8                   and storing the received password in the storage means,  
9                   and

10                  the eighth step of unlocking the door when the  
11                 password based on matching between the registered  
12                 fingerprint image and the fingerprint image detected by  
13                 the sensor and output from the fingerprint  
14                 authentication token is received in taking out the  
15                 article stored in the main body, and the received  
16                 password matches the password in the storage means.

49.               A method according to claim 45, wherein  
2                 the storage further comprises a plurality of  
3                 storage sections capable of independently storing  
4                 articles and having corresponding doors, and  
5                 processing in the second step comprises  
6                 the ninth step of, when a corresponding door  
7                 is closed in storing an article in a storage section,  
8                 displaying a number of the door,  
9                 the 10th step of, when the door number  
10                displayed on the basis of processing in the ninth step  
11                is designated, and the fingerprint authentication token

12 is inserted into the main body, locking the door,  
13 generating a password, storing the password and the door  
14 number in the storage means, transmitting the password  
15 and the door number to the fingerprint authentication  
16 token, and causing the fingerprint authentication token  
17 to store the password and the door number,

18 the 11th step of, when the fingerprint  
19 authentication token is inserted into the main body in  
20 taking out the article stored in the storage section,  
21 displaying the door number stored in the fingerprint  
22 authentication token, and

23 the 12th step of unlocking the door when the  
24 door number displayed on the basis of processing in the  
25 11th step is designated, and a password based on  
26 matching between a registered fingerprint image and the  
27 fingerprint image detected by the sensor and output from  
28 the fingerprint authentication token is received, and  
29 the received password matches the password in the  
30 storage means.

50. A method according to claim 45, wherein  
2 the method further comprises the 13th step of  
3 checking coins of a predetermined amount, which are put  
4 in by the user in storing the article, and  
5 processing in the first step comprises the  
6 14th step of locking the door when that the coins of the  
7 predetermined amount are put in is checked on the basis

8 of processing in the 13th step.

51. A gate opening/closing system for  
2 opening/closing an entrance gate for a site, comprising:

3 an authentication token for authenticating a  
4 user on the basis of biometrical information of the  
5 user;

6 a database for storing identification  
7 information of the user when the user prepays an  
8 admission to the site; and

9 control means for, when said authentication  
10 token authenticates that the user is an authentic user,  
11 and the identification information of the user, which is  
12 stored in said authentication token in advance, is  
13 output from said authentication token at the time of  
14 entrance of the user to the site, receiving the  
15 identification information, and when the received  
16 identification information has been stored in said  
17 database, opening the entrance gate.

52. A gate opening/closing system for  
2 opening/closing an entrance gate for a site, comprising:

3 information transmission/reception means for  
4 transmitting/receiving information to/from an  
5 authentication token which stores identification  
6 information of a user;

7 a database for storing the identification

8 information of the user when the user prepays an  
9 admission to the site; and  
10 control means for opening the entrance gate  
11 when said authentication token authenticates that the  
12 user is an authentic user on the basis of biometrical  
13 information of the user, the identification information  
14 of the user, which is output from said authentication  
15 token, is received by said information  
16 transmission/reception means at the time of entrance of  
17 the user to the site, and the received identification  
18 information has been stored in said database.

53. A system according to claim 51, wherein  
2 said authentication token is a fingerprint  
3 authentication token for authenticating the user on the  
4 basis of fingerprint information of the user, and  
5 comprises

6 storage means for storing the fingerprint  
7 information of the user,

8 a fingerprint sensor for detecting a  
9 fingerprint of the user, and

10 processing means for authenticating the user  
11 as the authentic user on the basis of matching between  
12 detected information from said fingerprint sensor and  
13 stored information in said storage means.

54. A system according to claim 52, wherein

2               said authentication token is a fingerprint  
3 authentication token for authenticating the user on the  
4 basis of fingerprint information of the user, and  
5 comprises

6               storage means for storing the fingerprint  
7 information of the user,

8               a fingerprint sensor for detecting a  
9 fingerprint of the user, and

10               processing means for authenticating the user  
11 as the authentic user on the basis of matching between  
12 detected information from said fingerprint sensor and  
13 stored information in said storage means.

55.               A system according to claim 51, further  
2 comprising identification information assignment means  
3 for, when said fingerprint authentication token is  
4 inserted, and the user prepays the admission to the site,  
5 generating a password and causing said fingerprint  
6 authentication token to store the password as the  
7 identification information, and transmitting the  
8 password to said database and causing said database to  
9 store the password as the identification information of  
10 the user.

56.               A system according to claim 52, further  
2 comprising identification information assignment means  
3 for, when said fingerprint authentication token is

4 inserted, and the user prepays the admission to the site,  
5 generating a password and causing said fingerprint  
6 authentication token to store the password as the  
7 identification information, and transmitting the  
8 password to said database and causing said database to  
9 store the password as the identification information of  
10 the user.

57. A system according to claim 51, wherein  
2 said fingerprint authentication token stores  
3 an identification number of the user as the  
4 identification information in advance, and  
5 said system further comprises identification  
6 information assignment means for, when said fingerprint  
7 authentication token is inserted, and the user prepays  
8 the admission to the site, reading the identification  
9 information from the fingerprint authentication token,  
10 transmitting the identification information to said  
11 database, and causing said database to store the  
12 identification information as the identification  
13 information of the user.

58. A system according to claim 52, wherein  
2 said fingerprint authentication token stores  
3 an identification number of the user as the  
4 identification information in advance, and  
5 said system further comprises identification

6 information assignment means for, when said fingerprint  
7 authentication token is inserted, and the user prepays  
8 the admission to the site, reading the identification  
9 information from the fingerprint authentication token,  
10 transmitting the identification information to said  
11 database, and causing said database to store the  
12 identification information as the identification  
13 information of the user.

59. A system according to claim 51, further  
2 comprising  
3 transmission means for converting  
4 identification information added to said authentication  
5 token and output from said authentication token into a  
6 radio signal or infrared signal and transmitting the  
7 signal, and  
8 reception means, arranged near the entrance  
9 gate, for, upon receiving the radio signal or infrared  
10 signal transmitted by said transmission means, sending  
11 the identification information contained in the received  
12 radio signal or infrared signal to said control means.

60. A system according to claim 52, further  
2 comprising  
3 transmission means for converting  
4 identification information added to said authentication  
5 token and output from said authentication token into a

6 radio signal or infrared signal and transmitting the  
7 signal, and

8 reception means, arranged near the entrance  
9 gate, for, upon receiving the radio signal or infrared  
10 signal transmitted by said transmission means, sending  
11 the identification information contained in the received  
12 radio signal or infrared signal to said control means.

61. A biometrical information authentication

2 automatic teller machine for providing, to a user, a  
3 service including deposit/withdrawal of cash for the  
4 user on the basis of authentication of biometrical  
5 information of the user, comprising:

6 a biometrical information authentication token  
7 for authenticating the user on the basis of the  
8 biometrical information of the user,

9 said biometrical information authentication  
10 token comprising

11 storage means for storing the biometrical  
12 information of the user,

13 a sensor for detecting the biometrical  
14 information of the user, and

15 processing means for outputting control  
16 information on the basis of matching between detected  
17 information from said sensor and stored information in  
18 said storage means, and

19 said biometrical information authentication

20 automatic teller machine comprising service providing  
21 means for providing the service to the user on the basis  
22 of the control information from said processing means.

62. A machine according to claim 61, wherein  
2               said machine further comprises a database  
3 which stores an outstanding balance corresponding to an  
4 account number of the user in advance,  
5               said storage means of said biometrical  
6 information authentication token stores the account  
7 number of the user,  
8               said processing means outputs the account  
9 number in said storage means as the control information  
10 on the basis of matching between the detected  
11 information from said sensor and the stored information  
12 in said storage means, and  
13               said service providing means comprises  
14 acquisition means for, upon receiving the  
15 account number from said processing means, acquiring the  
16 outstanding balance corresponding to the received  
17 account number from said database,  
18               withdrawal means for withdrawing cash  
19 corresponding to predetermined operation by the user  
20 from the outstanding balance acquired by said  
21 acquisition means, and  
22               outstanding balance recording means for  
23 subtracting an amount withdrawn by said withdrawal means

24 from the outstanding balance acquired by said  
25 acquisition means and storing a new outstanding balance  
26 in said database.

63. A machine according to claim 61, wherein  
2       said machine further comprises a database  
3 which stores an outstanding balance corresponding to an  
4 account number of the user in advance,  
5       said storage means of said biometrical  
6 information authentication token stores the account  
7 number of the user,  
8       said processing means outputs the account  
9 number in said storage means as the control information  
10 on the basis of matching between the detected  
11 information from said sensor and the stored information  
12 in said storage means, and  
13       said service providing means comprises  
14 acquisition means for, upon receiving the  
15 account number from said processing means, acquiring the  
16 outstanding balance corresponding to the received  
17 account number from said database, and  
18       outstanding balance recording means for adding  
19 an amount deposited by the user to the outstanding  
20 balance acquired by said acquisition means and storing a  
21 new outstanding balance in said database.

64. A biometrical information authentication

2 automatic teller machine for providing, to a user, a  
3 service including deposit/withdrawal of cash for the  
4 user on the basis of authentication of biometrical  
5 information of the user, comprising:

6 information transmission/reception means for  
7 transmitting/receiving information to/from a biometrical  
8 information authentication token for authenticating the  
9 user on the basis of comparison/collation between  
10 biometrical information stored in storage means and the  
11 biometrical information of the user, which is detected  
12 by a sensor; and

13 service providing means for, when said  
14 information transmission/reception means receives  
15 control information output from the biometrical  
16 information authentication token on the basis of  
17 matching between detected information from the sensor  
18 and the biometrical information in the storage means,  
19 providing the service to the user on the basis of the  
20 received control information.

65. A machine according to claim 64, wherein  
2 said machine further comprises a database  
3 which stores an outstanding balance corresponding to an  
4 account number of the user in advance,  
5 the storage means of the biometrical  
6 information authentication token stores the account  
7 number of the user, and

8               said service providing means comprises  
9               acquisition means for, when said information  
10          transmission/reception means receives the account number  
11          output from the biometrical information authentication  
12          token as the control information on the basis of  
13          matching between the detected information from the  
14          sensor and the biometrical information in the storage  
15          means, acquiring the outstanding balance corresponding  
16          to the received account number from said database,  
17               withdrawal means for withdrawing cash  
18          corresponding to predetermined operation by the user  
19          from the outstanding balance acquired by said  
20          acquisition means, and  
21               outstanding balance recording means for  
22          subtracting an amount withdrawn by said withdrawal means  
23          from the outstanding balance acquired by said  
24          acquisition means and storing a new outstanding balance  
25          in said database.

66.           A machine according to claim 64, wherein  
2               said machine further comprises a database  
3          which stores an outstanding balance corresponding to an  
4          account number of the user in advance,  
5               the storage means of the biometrical  
6          information authentication token stores the account  
7          number of the user, and  
8               said service providing means comprises

9                   acquisition means for, when said information  
10          transmission/reception means receives the account number  
11          output from the biometrical information authentication  
12          token as the control information on the basis of  
13          matching between the detected information from the  
14          sensor and the biometrical information in the storage  
15          means, acquiring the outstanding balance corresponding  
16          to the received account number from said database, and  
17                   outstanding balance recording means for adding  
18          an amount deposited by the user to the outstanding  
19          balance acquired by said acquisition means and storing a  
20          new outstanding balance in said database.

67.               A machine according to claim 61, wherein  
2          when a passbook of the user is inserted, said  
3          outstanding balance recording means records information  
4          including the outstanding balance on the passbook.

68.               A machine according to claim 64, wherein  
2          when a passbook of the user is inserted, said  
3          outstanding balance recording means records information  
4          including the outstanding balance on the passbook.

69.               A machine according to claim 61, wherein  
2                   said storage means stores a fingerprint image  
3          of the user as the biometrical information,  
4                   said sensor detects the fingerprint image of

5 the user as the biometrical information, and  
6 said processing means or biometrical  
7 information authentication token outputs the control  
8 information on the basis of matching between the  
9 fingerprint image detected by said sensor and the  
10 fingerprint image in said storage means.

70. A machine according to claim 69, wherein  
1 the storage means stores a fingerprint image  
2 of the user as the biometrical information,  
3 the sensor detects the fingerprint image of  
4 the user as the biometrical information, and  
5 said processing means or biometrical  
6 information authentication token outputs the control  
7 information on the basis of matching between the  
8 fingerprint image detected by the sensor and the  
9 fingerprint image in the storage means.  
10

71. A portable terminal system comprising a  
2 portable terminal device and a biometrical  
3 authentication device,  
4 said biometrical authentication device  
5 comprising  
6 biometrical information read means for reading  
7 biometrical information of a user who holds said  
8 biometrical authentication device,  
9 first storage means for storing biometrical

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10 information of an authentic user registered in advance  
11 and personal information of the authentic user, and  
12 a first processing unit for performing  
13 personal authentication by collating the biometrical  
14 information read by said biometrical information read  
15 means with the biometrical information of the authentic  
16 user stored in said first storage means, and only when  
17 an authentication result represents that collation is  
18 successful, transmitting the personal information stored  
19 in said first storage means to said portable terminal  
20 device, and  
21 said portable terminal device comprising  
22 second storage means for storing the personal  
23 information transmitted from said biometrical  
24 authentication device, and  
25 second processing means for executing  
26 communication processing or data processing using the  
27 personal information stored in said second storage means.

72. A portable terminal system comprising a  
2 portable terminal device and a biometrical  
3 authentication device,  
4 said biometrical authentication device  
5 comprising  
6 biometrical information read means for reading  
7 biometrical information of a user who holds said  
8 biometrical authentication device,

9                         first storage means for storing biometrical  
10          information of an authentic user registered in advance  
11          and service information necessary for the authentic user  
12          to receive a service, and  
13                         a first processing unit for performing  
14          personal authentication by collating the biometrical  
15          information read by said biometrical information read  
16          means with the biometrical information of the authentic  
17          user stored in said first storage means, and only when  
18          an authentication result represents that collation is  
19          successful, transmitting the service information stored  
20          in said first storage means to said portable terminal  
21          device, and  
22                         said portable terminal device comprising  
23                         second storage means for storing the service  
24          information transmitted from said biometrical  
25          authentication device, and  
26                         second processing means for executing  
27          communication processing or data processing using the  
28          service information stored in said second storage means.

73.                 A system according to claim 71, wherein  
2                         the personal information contains a personal  
3          identification number of the authentic user, and  
4                         after the personal information is stored in  
5          said second storage means, said second processing means  
6          of said portable terminal device is connected to a

7 network using the personal identification number  
8 contained in the personal information.

74. A system according to claim 72, wherein  
2 the service information contains a password  
3 used to log in to a web site, and  
4 after the service information is stored in  
5 said second storage means, said second processing means  
6 of said portable terminal device acquires, from the  
7 service information, a password corresponding to a web  
8 site accessed through a network and transmits the  
9 acquired password to the accessed web site.

75. A biometrical authentication device  
2 comprising:  
3 biometrical information read means for reading  
4 biometrical information of a user who holds said device;  
5 storage means for storing biometrical  
6 information of an authentic user registered in advance  
7 and personal information of the authentic user; and  
8 a processing unit for performing personal  
9 authentication by collating the biometrical information  
10 read by said biometrical information read means with the  
11 biometrical information of the authentic user stored in  
12 said storage means, and only when an authentication  
13 result represents that collation is successful,  
14 transmitting the personal information stored in said

15 storage means to a portable terminal device,  
16 wherein only when the authentication result  
17 represents that the collation is successful, the  
18 personal information is transmitted to the portable  
19 terminal device which does not hold the personal  
20 information, thereby allowing communication processing  
21 or data processing using the personal information.

76. A biometrical authentication device  
2 comprising:  
3 biometrical information read means for reading  
4 biometrical information of a user who holds said device;  
5 storage means for storing biometrical  
6 information of an authentic user registered in advance  
7 and service information necessary for the authentic user  
8 to receive a service; and  
9 a processing unit for performing personal  
10 authentication by collating the biometrical information  
11 read by said biometrical information read means with the  
12 biometrical information of the authentic user stored in  
13 said storage means, and only when an authentication  
14 result represents that collation is successful,  
15 transmitting the service information stored in said  
16 storage means to a portable terminal device,  
17 wherein only when the authentication result  
18 represents that the collation is successful, the service  
19 information is transmitted to the portable terminal

20 device which does not hold the service information,  
21 thereby allowing communication processing or data  
22 processing using the service information.

77. A device according to claim 75, wherein the  
2 personal information contains a personal identification  
3 number of the authentic user, which is necessary to  
4 connect the portable terminal device to a network.

78. A device according to claim 76, wherein the  
2 service information contains a password used to log in  
3 to a web site from the portable terminal device through  
4 a network.

79. A portable terminal device comprising:  
2 storage means for receiving personal  
3 information of an authentic user from a biometrical  
4 authentication device and storing the personal  
5 information, the biometrical authentication device  
6 executing personal authentication using biometrical  
7 information of a user, and transmitting the personal  
8 information of the authentic user only when an  
9 authentication result indicates that collation is  
10 successful; and  
11 processing means for executing communication  
12 processing or data processing using the personal  
13 information stored in said storage means,

14               wherein the communication processing or data  
15  processing using the personal information is executed  
16  only when the personal information stored in the  
17  biometrical authentication device is received.

80.              A portable terminal device comprising:  
2                 storage means for receiving service  
3                 information necessary for an authentic user to receive a  
4                 service from a biometrical authentication device and  
5                 storing the service information, the biometrical  
6                 authentication device executing personal authentication  
7                 using biometrical information of a user, and  
8                 transmitting the service information only when an  
9                 authentication result indicates that collation is  
10                successful; and  
11                processing means for executing communication  
12  processing or data processing using the service  
13  information stored in said storage means,  
14                wherein the communication processing or data  
15  processing using the service information is executed  
16  only when the service information stored in the  
17  biometrical authentication device is received.

81.              A device according to claim 79, wherein  
2                 the personal information contains a personal  
3                 identification number of the authentic user, and  
4                 after the personal information is stored in

5 said storage means, said processing means of said  
6 portable terminal device is connected to a network using  
7 the personal identification number contained in the  
8 personal information.

82. A device according to claim 80, wherein  
2 the service information contains a password  
3 used to log in to a web site, and  
4 after the service information is stored in  
5 said storage means, said processing means of said  
6 portable terminal device acquires, from the service  
7 information, a password corresponding to a web site  
8 accessed through a network and transmits the acquired  
9 password to the accessed web site.

83. A token according to claim 1, wherein  
2 said token further comprises an encryption  
3 circuit for encrypting data generated from the  
4 authentication data and dynamic information generated by  
5 the use device and transmitted using a key registered in  
6 advance, and  
7 said communication circuit transmits to the  
8 use device encrypted data generated by said encryption  
9 circuit.

84. A token according to claim 1, wherein  
2 said token further comprises

3               a result determination circuit for, when the  
4    collation result indicates that the authentication is  
5    successful, outputting the authentication data to said  
6    encryption circuit, and when the collation result  
7    indicates that the authentication fails, outputting the  
8    authentication data to said first communication circuit,  
9    and

10              an encryption circuit for, in accordance with  
11   the authentication data from said result determination  
12   circuit, encrypting dynamic information transmitted from  
13   the use device using a key registered in advance, adding  
14   obtained encrypted data to the authentication data, and  
15   outputting the encrypted data, and  
16              said communication circuit transmits to the  
17   use device the authentication data with the encrypted  
18   data from said encryption circuit or the authentication  
19   data from said result determination circuit.

85.             A token according to claim 1, wherein  
2                said token further comprises  
3                an encryption circuit for encrypting dynamic  
4    information transmitted from the use device using a key  
5    registered in advance and outputting obtained encrypted  
6    data to said first communication circuit as data, and  
7                a first result determination circuit for, when  
8    the collation result indicates that the authentication  
9    is successful, instructing said encryption circuit to

10 generate the encrypted data, and when the collation  
11 result indicates that the authentication fails,  
12 outputting data whose number of digits is different from  
13 that of the encrypted data to said first communication  
14 circuit, and

15                 said first communication circuit transmits to  
16 the use device the data from said encryption circuit or  
17 the data from said first result determination circuit.

86.                 A token according to claim 84, wherein  
2                 said token further comprises an ID storage  
3                 circuit for storing identification information of said  
4                 authentication token registered in advance, and  
5                 said first communication circuit transmits to  
6 the use device the identification information stored in  
7 said ID storage circuit.

87.                 A system according to claim 10, wherein said  
2 storage circuit stores, as the user information,  
3 personal information of the user and service information  
4 related to the service provided by the use device, and  
5 stores the personal information, service information,  
6 and registered information in separate storage areas.

88.                 A system according to claim 10, wherein  
2                 said authentication token further comprises an  
3 encryption circuit for encrypting dynamic information

4 transmitted from the use device and data generated from  
5 the authentication data using a key registered in  
6 advance,

7 said first communication circuit transmits to  
8 the use device encrypted data generated by said  
9 encryption circuit, and

10 said processing unit comprises a dynamic  
11 information generation circuit for generating the  
12 dynamic information to be transmitted to said  
13 authentication token, a decryption circuit for  
14 decrypting the encrypted data transmitted from said  
15 authentication token using a key corresponding to the  
16 key, and a result determination circuit for executing  
17 the predetermined processing only when a collation  
18 result of the authentication data contained in the data  
19 decrypted by said decryption circuit indicates that the  
20 authentication is successful, and the dynamic  
21 information contained in the data matches the dynamic  
22 information generated by said dynamic information  
23 generation circuit and transmitted to said  
24 authentication token.

89. A system according to claim 10, wherein  
2 said authentication token further comprises a  
3 first result determination circuit for, when the  
4 collation result indicates that the authentication is  
5 successful, outputting the authentication data to said

6        encryption circuit, and when the collation result  
7        indicates that the authentication fails, outputting the  
8        authentication data to said first communication circuit,  
9        and an encryption circuit for, in accordance with the  
10      authentication data from said first result determination  
11      circuit, encrypting dynamic information transmitted from  
12      the use device using a key registered in advance, adding  
13      obtained encrypted data to the authentication data, and  
14      outputting the encrypted data,

15                said first communication circuit transmits to  
16      the use device the authentication data with the  
17      encrypted data from said encryption circuit or the  
18      authentication data from said first result determination  
19      circuit, and

20                said processing unit comprises a dynamic  
21      information generation circuit for generating the  
22      dynamic information to be transmitted to said  
23      authentication token, a decryption circuit for  
24      decrypting the encrypted data transmitted from said  
25      authentication token using a key corresponding to the  
26      key, and a second result determination circuit for  
27      causing said decryption circuit to decrypt the encrypted  
28      data added to the authentication data only when an  
29      authentication result of the authentication data from  
30      said authentication token, which is received by said  
31      second communication circuit, indicates that the  
32      authentication is successful, and executing the

33 predetermined processing only when the obtained dynamic  
34 information matches the dynamic information generated by  
35 said dynamic information generation circuit and  
36 transmitted to said authentication token.

90. A system according to claim 10, wherein  
2               said authentication token further comprises an  
3 encryption circuit for encrypting dynamic information  
4 transmitted from the use device using a key registered  
5 in advance and outputting obtained encrypted data to  
6 said first communication circuit as data, and a first  
7 result determination circuit for, when the collation  
8 result indicates that the authentication is successful,  
9 instructing said encryption circuit to generate the  
10 encrypted data, and when the collation result indicates  
11 that the authentication fails, outputting data whose  
12 number of digits is different from that of the encrypted  
13 data to said first communication circuit,  
14               said first communication circuit transmits to  
15 the use device the data from said encryption circuit or  
16 the data from said first result determination circuit,  
17 and  
18               said processing unit comprises a dynamic  
19 information generation circuit for generating the  
20 dynamic information to be transmitted to said  
21 authentication token, a decryption circuit for  
22 decrypting the encrypted data transmitted from said

23 authentication token using a key corresponding to the  
24 key, and a second result determination circuit for  
25 causing said decryption circuit to decrypt the encrypted  
26 data added to the data only when the number of digits of  
27 the data from said authentication token, which is  
28 received by said second communication circuit, indicates  
29 the number of digits when the authentication is  
30 successful, and executing the predetermined processing  
31 only when the obtained dynamic information matches the  
32 dynamic information generated by said dynamic  
33 information generation circuit and transmitted to said  
34 authentication token.

91. A system according to claim 88, wherein  
2 said authentication token further comprises an  
3 ID storage circuit for storing identification  
4 information of said authentication token registered in  
5 advance,

6 said first communication circuit transmits to  
7 the use device the identification information stored in  
8 said ID storage circuit, and

9 said decryption circuit decrypts the encrypted  
10 data from said authentication token using a key  
11 corresponding to the identification information  
12 transmitted from said authentication token.

92. A system according to claim 89, wherein

2               said authentication token further comprises an  
3    ID storage circuit for storing identification  
4    information of said authentication token registered in  
5    advance,

6               said first communication circuit transmits to  
7    the use device the identification information stored in  
8    said ID storage circuit, and

9               said decryption circuit decrypts the encrypted  
10   data from said authentication token using a key  
11   corresponding to the identification information  
12   transmitted from said authentication token.

93.           A system according to claim 90, wherein

2               said authentication token further comprises an  
3    ID storage circuit for storing identification  
4    information of said authentication token registered in  
5    advance,

6               said first communication circuit transmits to  
7    the use device the identification information stored in  
8    said ID storage circuit, and

9               said decryption circuit decrypts the encrypted  
10   data from said authentication token using a key  
11   corresponding to the identification information  
12   transmitted from said authentication token.